

Mack Files for Late Wife's Estate

Harry B. Mack, 25026 Narbonne avenue, petitioned Los Angeles county superior court this week for letters of administration to the estate of his late wife, Mrs. Lillian E. Mack, who died last March 5.

Value of the estate is approximately \$5,000, it was stated in the petition, which was set for hearing on June 14.

Season's Brides Are Busy Planning

An unusually large number of local young ladies are getting ready to say "I do." For them, Virginia Courtney, our bridesmaid consultant, has prepared a charming gift booklet on social customs before and after the marriage. Each may have a gift copy by calling at this office.

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North Long Beach Host to Harbor Chambers Tonight

The Harbor District Chambers of Commerce will hold a regular monthly dinner-meeting tonight in North Long Beach at the Masonic temple, corner of Plymouth street and Long Beach boulevard, starting at 6:30 o'clock.

The principal speaker will be William Howe, industrial engineer for the Southern California Edison Company. President L. J. Gilmeister will preside.

Vets Improving Meeting Hall

Mrs. Hattie Schroeder, newly installed president of the V.F.W. Auxiliary, presided at her first meeting Thursday night and appointed committees for the year.

Commander N. V. Sanford and Senior Vice-Commander Frank Graper of the Post visited the Auxiliary and explained the improvements being made to the hall.

The former kitchen is being arranged into locker rooms and men's and women's lounge rooms. Back of the hall a kitchen and dining room are being built to be connected with the main hall by a covered board walk. New sinks, better stoves and equipment will be installed and a number of new chairs are to be purchased. The hall has been entirely repainted and the other rooms will be. The Auxiliary voted to aid in improving the hall.

The sewing club with Mrs. Lena King as chairman will meet on the fourth Thursday the next meeting to be held at Mrs. Ada Andersen's on May 23. This will be an all day meeting. Mrs. Julia Norcross and her hospital committees decided on the second Tuesday of each month for their

SPRING PROM AT NARBONNE IS MAY 17

Students of Narbonne high school have been rushing around preparing for the spring prom which will be held Friday night, May 17. At a recent meeting approximately 150 students said they were planning to attend this gala affair. The girls will wear cotton formals and the boys will be dressed in suits and ties.

Miss Marie Stiff, who is in charge of the prom, is very secretive about the theme. However, there have been rumors around school that the theme will be similar to a night club setting. Other teachers in charge of refreshments, entertainment, decorating and lighting the gym are: Lowell Fuller, Miss Anna C. Shea, Levi Stump, Mrs. Betty Willis and Mrs. Marjorie Davis.

The refreshment committee has not revealed what kind of food they intend to serve, but they say it will be well worth the admission which is to be charged A11's and B12's with A12's as honorary guests.

H.C. Reservoir to Supply Harbor Hills Project

Water for the several hundred residents of the Harbor Hills project of the Los Angeles county housing authority is to be furnished by the city of Los Angeles from the city's reservoir near 264th and Ozone streets, Harbor City, it was learned today.

Construction of a special water pumping plant will be necessitated, and the county Authority will open bids May 16 for the construction of the plant in an existing building located on the roof of the reservoir.

Fire protection also is to be provided by this pumping plant.



Reproduction of Whistler's "Arrangement in Grey and Black"

SPRING, season of reviving hopes, comes this year clouded with winged death and murky with exploding bombs—war that holds no quarter, apparently, for anyone.

The promise of each new dawn is dimmed by news of destruction and havoc, of weak and defenseless peoples crushed and trampled upon as giants struggle for supremacy on earth.

We in America are physically removed from the maelstrom, but our interest in humanity, in freedom and in justice causes us to feel strongly and deplore the ruthlessness to which men

have descended in their strife with their fellows.

In the presence of this welter of horror, our nation is called upon to observe the annual recurrence of Mother's Day next Sunday, May 12. Because of world conditions, the spirit of the observance will no doubt be imbued with a deeper reverence and a more sober reflection.

Mother's Day is the most personal holiday in our calendar. Each of us may honor our mother—living or dead—in our own way. The important thing is that we remember it and remember her.

TAXES ROUT CARS
High taxes and stringent restriction on the use of gasoline have forced off the road nearly 1,000,000 of the 2,300,000 motor vehicles registered in England before the war.

The Egyptian house-cat is believed to have had a major share in the development of European breeds.

Must Get Permit to Sell Fireworks

The new state law on fireworks, which became effective last September, requires that a permit be obtained from the board of supervisors for the retail sale of safe and sane fireworks in the unincorporated territory of Los Angeles. Application for such permit must be made in writing to the Chief Fire Prevention Officer at 524 North Spring street, Los Angeles.

Spence D. Turner, county forster and fire warden, warns that failure to make application for a permit previous to engaging in such sale is a misdemeanor and is punishable by a fine or imprisonment or both. He urges that all those who plan to sell safe and sane fireworks make application for permit as early as possible at the above address.

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Maternal Mortality Rate in County is Under State, Nation

That the maternal mortality rate for the area under the jurisdiction of the Los Angeles County Health Department is substantially below that for the state of California and for the United States as a whole was revealed this week by Dr. J. L. Pomeroy, county health officer.

The maternal death rate (deaths from maternal causes per 1,000 live births) in Los Angeles County Health Department area in 1939 was 2.6. The state of California rate in 1938 (the last year which state figures are available) was 3.3, and the 1937 rate for the United States as a whole (the last figures obtainable on a national basis) was 4.9.

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SUPERVISORS GET P. V. PARK OFFER; WILL INSPECT SITE

Members of the Board of Supervisors tomorrow will personally inspect 1,800 acres of land in the Palos Verdes Rancho which have been offered to the county in exchange for cancellation of delinquent and current county taxes and special district taxes against the Palos Verdes corporation.

The land offered as a park site includes the summit of the Palos Verdes hills and approximately 1,800 feet of ocean frontage. Roughly, the proposed park site lies between the Metropolitan Water District reservoir and north of the Royal Palms clubhouse, which would make it easily accessible to both Lomita and Torrance residents, with a beautified parkway entrance on Vermont avenue.

The offer of the Palos Verdes corporation as read to the Board of Supervisors this week by Isidore B. Dockweiler in behalf of the Los Angeles county parks committee, includes:

1. Cancellation of the delinquent taxes, both general county taxes and for special tax districts, on the pro-

posed park area, amounting to \$37,715;

2. Cancellation of general county and road taxes of entire Palos Verdes Rancho, amounting to \$110,071; and

3. Absorption by the county of Los Angeles, thru appropriation from the general fund, of a percentage of the remaining delinquent taxes for the special tax districts, not to exceed \$125,000.

Proponents of the plan point out that since the Rolling Hills development, tax income on this portion of the Palos Verdes hills has increased eight fold; and it is estimated that the proposed park would be a great stimulus to further development which would mean still greater tax revenue.

County Grants \$1,000 to V.F.W. Convention

Veterans of Foreign Wars had asked for \$2,000 of county funds to advertise their convention in Los Angeles this year. The sum of \$550 was recommended by the County Exploitation Committee but on motion of Supervisor Gordon L. McDonough, the Board allocated \$1,000 for the purpose.

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